

SENATOR HALL: I'm not the introducer of this amendment. I'm carrying it for Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR MOORE: I understand that but when I hear Joslyn and zoo I usually just assume it's your bill and so I apologize for that. And I'm wondering...

SENATOR HALL: Your apology is accepted.

SENATOR MOORE: ...if we do this, what could we possibly come back for next year, Senator Hall? The university's status for review? (Gavel.)

SENATOR HALL: I'm sorry?

SENATOR MOORE: Well, no, actually it's one of those things that in principle it's just like I know Senator Hall introduced a bill earlier this year to reinstate the sales tax on farm machinery. And so given that principle of not exempting things, I will vote against this amendment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Conway, please.

SENATOR CONWAY: Question.

PRESIDENT: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. And the question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. We're going to need the cooperation of most of you in the Chambers. (Gavel.) We're going to need the cooperation of most of you in the Chamber because of our limited numbers so I do ask your cooperation, please. Record, Mr. Clerk, please. Debate has ceased. Senator Hall, would you like to close, please, on...

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, members, the amendment that Senator Lindsay offers and I'm carrying for him to the bill is, as I stated earlier, LB 540 that came before the Revenue Committee. The question here is not, do you want to do anything for Joslyn or do you want to do anything for the zoo? The question is one of what definition do you give to the issue of memberships and sales tax? The Revenue Department has literally no opinion on whether or not this is a provision that they will support or oppose. They have left the policy decision to the body. Our decision is whether or not we basically have a...not